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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re the Application of: **HOSHI, George et al.**

Group Art Unit: **3753**

Serial No.: **09/893,522**

Examiner: **FOX, John C.**

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**P.T.O. Confirmation No.: 2987**

For: **FLUID CONTROL DEVICE**

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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December 6, 2005

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated **July 6, 2005**, extended to **December 6, 2005** by a two-month Petition for Extension of Time, entry of the following amendments and remarks, further examination, and reconsideration are respectfully requested.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 13 of this paper.

**PATENT APPLICATION FEE DETERMINATION RECORD**  
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**CLAIMS AS FILED - PART I**

	(Column 1)	(Column 2)
TOTAL CLAIMS	22	
FOR	NUMBER FILED	NUMBER EXTRA
TOTAL CHARGEABLE CLAIMS	25 minus 20 =	5
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS	2 minus 3 =	8
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM PRESENT <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		

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**CLAIMS AS AMENDED - PART II**

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CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA
Total	86	25	1
Independent	4	3	1
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM <input type="checkbox"/>			

SMALL ENTITY TYPE ☐ OR

OTHER THAN SMALL ENTITY

RATE	FEE	RATE	FEE
BASIC FEE	355.00	BASIC FEE	710.00
X\$ 9=		X\$18=	
X40=		X80=	
+135=		+270=	
TOTAL		TOTAL	

SMALL ENTITY OR

OTHER THAN SMALL ENTITY

RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
X\$ 9=		X\$18=	600
X40=		X80=	240
+135=		+270=	
TOTAL		TOTAL	250
ADDITIONAL FEE		ADDITIONAL FEE	104.00

SMALL ENTITY OR

OTHER THAN SMALL ENTITY

RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
X\$ 9=		X\$18=	300
X40=		X80=	
+135=		+270=	
TOTAL		TOTAL	
ADDITIONAL FEE		ADDITIONAL FEE	

SMALL ENTITY OR

OTHER THAN SMALL ENTITY

RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
X\$ 9=		X\$18=	800
X40=		X80=	
+135=		+270=	
TOTAL		TOTAL	
ADDITIONAL FEE		ADDITIONAL FEE	

	(Column 1)	(Column 2)	(Column 3)
CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA
Total	28	26	
Independent	4	4	
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM <input type="checkbox"/>			

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CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA
Total	44	28	16
Independent	4	4	
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM <input type="checkbox"/>			

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